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AROUND THE CAPITOL

Quiet Day in Congressional Halls.

Important Testimony on the Silver Pool.

A Far-Reaching Inter-State Commerce Decision—Work of the Coinage Committee.

WASHINGTON, January 28.—In the Senate this morning the House Appropriation bill was taken up. After a short session the Senate adjourned.

In the House. WASHINGTON, January 28.—The House today adopted the conference report on the bill to dispose of the abandoned Fort Ellis, Mont., military reservation, under the homestead law.

THE SILVER POOL.

Important Evidence Brought to the Attention of the Committee. WASHINGTON, January 28.—General Boynton testified in the silver pool investigation today. He said he sent a message to Dannel, of the New York Times, on which the dispatch was based, stating that Dingley and Payne, members of the committee, had said they would not have gone into the investigation if they had supposed such a revelation regarding Cameron would be made.

Dingley said it was entirely possible he might have said he regretted exceedingly that any Congressman should have done any act which made it necessary that such facts should be brought out. But that was very different from a statement that the committee would keep testimony out or purposely delay it. General Boynton said that before the investigation, Stevens, correspondent of the Globe-Democrat, received a message that he was the best person to be either later next day or prolong his testimony, as the purpose of the committee was to adjourn, immediately after the conclusion of his testimony, until next Wednesday.

W. B. Stevens, the Globe-Democrat correspondent, was the person who gave General Boynton the information in respect to the Dingley-Payne conversation. Turning to Dingley he said: "You began talking in a whisper, became more earnest, raised your voice and were talking loudly before you got to the point where Dingley says something to the effect that 'It was an entire surprise to me, meaning the Vest testimony, I did not know he was going to testify to any such thing as that.' You said: 'I have no idea what he was going to say.' It struck me," said Stevens, "as if you were each taken by surprise and trying to explain it to each other. There seemed to be expressions that the circumstances under which the testimony was brought out were peculiar, and you regretted the time in which it was brought out."

INTERSTATE COMMERCE.

A Far-Reaching Decision Rendered by the Commission Yesterday.

WASHINGTON, January 28.—The Interstate Commerce Commission today decided the case of the New York Board of Trade and Transportation vs. the Pennsylvania Railroad Company and twenty-eight other railroad companies, involving questions of discriminations made and preferences given to foreign merchandise shipped upon bills of lading from foreign ports to the United States, or ports of entry in a foreign country, adjacent to the United States, over other and similar merchandise carried from such ports of entry to points of destination in the United States. The complaint was sustained by a decision against the Texas Pacific, Iron Mountain, Louisville, New Orleans & Texas, Illinois Central, Wabash, Southern Pacific, Union Pacific, Northern Pacific, Canadian Pacific and Grand Trunk, of Canada, and each of them ordered to forthwith cease and desist from such practices. The order is to take effect March 10. The complaint was not sustained as to the other defendant railroad companies.

Senatorial Confirmations. WASHINGTON, January 28.—The Senate today made the following confirmations: P. H. Downing, as Collector of Customs at Wilmington, Cal.; Colonel Flagler, as Chief of Ordnance with the rank of Brigadier-General; A. W.

Bailey, as postmaster at Evanston, Wyo.

THE COAL PIT HORROR.

Developments Are Even Worse Than Had Been Feared. YOUNGWOOD, Pa., January 28.—One hundred and seven bodies were taken from the ill-fated mine of Frick & Co., at Mammoth, up to 10 o'clock this morning. It is estimated that there are at least seventeen more victims.

No one slept at Mammoth last night. In every home of the little mining hamlet there was mourning. Fifty coffins arrived from Pittsburgh today and another half hundred will reach here tonight. An additional order for twenty-five more was sent this morning.

The cause of the explosion is not yet determined. A coroner, however, is on the ground and a thorough investigation will be held.

AN OFFICER'S DREADFUL DEED.

Army Surgeon Deitz Kills His Wife and Then Suicide. SAN FRANCISCO, January 28.—Surgeon William D. Deitz, of the Fifth Artillery, stationed at Alcatraz, this morning shot and killed his wife and then committed suicide by shooting himself. A shaven was the weapon used and both bodies were badly mangled. Mrs. Deitz was found lying on the floor, shot through the heart, and her husband lay close by. The bodies were found at 11 o'clock, and as Deitz was seen outside his quarters at 6 o'clock this morning the shooting must have occurred between these hours.

Deitz and wife had lived on the island about two years and had one child, about 3 years old. Deitz entered the army in 1883 and had the rank of captain. He was of a jovial disposition and apparently lived happily with his wife. It is generally believed he was insane when he committed the deed.

STARRED A BOATMAN.

Trial of the Son of Circuit Judge Lorenzo Sawyer. SAN RAFAEL, Cal., January 28.—The trial of Prescott Sawyer, son of United States Circuit Judge Lorenzo Sawyer, who is charged with stabbing a boatman named Herman Franz, was commenced today.

Several witnesses were examined and testified that Franz knocked Sawyer down and then walked away. Sawyer followed him and stabbed him in the back three times. Franz fell to the floor and Sawyer kicked his prostrate body. The case is attracting great interest here as young Sawyer moved in the best circles.

THE INDIAN SITUATION.

General Miles Thinks All Trouble is at an End. CHICAGO, January 28.—When asked this morning as to the final disposition to be made of the Indians now at Fort Sheridan, General Miles said that he had determined in the near future. Now that Sitting Bull and other chiefs have been killed, the Indians are left without a leader. There is no danger of any further outbreak.

Downville, Cal., January 28.—Four persons named Trebbins, living near here, have been attacked with that rare disease, trichinosis. John Trebbins is dead, one other is still dangerously sick and two others are thought to be out of danger. They ate half cooked pork December 29, in blood sausage. A post mortem revealed trichinae in the muscles of John Trebbins.

Robert Hamilton Reported Alive.

PHILADELPHIA, January 28.—The Times tomorrow will publish a story in substantiation of the report in regard to Robert Ray Hamilton being alive and living at Sydney, New South Wales. The truth of the story is vouched for by several letters received from Hamilton since his alleged death.

The American Hug in Germany. BERLIN, January 28.—It was reported in the lobby of the Reichstag today that the government is about to rescind the law prohibiting the importation of American bacon and hams, at the same time directing that such imports be subject to inspection.

A Negro Jubilee.

CINCINNATI, January 28.—The Freedmen's Aid Society, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, organized twenty-five years ago, to promote education among the negroes of the South, is holding a jubilee here, celebrating the work of a quarter of a century.

Another Mine Disaster.

KANSAS CITY, January 28.—By the caving in of a roof in a coal mine at Amoret, Mo., two men were killed by falling timbers. Five other men are buried, and it is feared they cannot be rescued alive.

INDEPENDENT ACTION

A Third Political Party to be Formed

Among the Members of the Farmers' Alliance.

No Consolidation to be Had With the Mutual Benefit Association.

OMAHA, January 28.—The National Farmers' Alliance has today decided upon a third political party to be formed among the members of the Farmers' Alliance.

The resolutions favoring the formation of a third political party were adopted by a large vote. In the afternoon the report of the Committee on Resolutions, which was quite lengthy, was considered by paragraphs and adopted. It begins with the following preamble: "Whereas, owing to the opposition that has heaped upon us by grasping monopolists, trusts and combines, we believe it is time for action, and whereas, the National Farmers' Alliance, in convention assembled, does most emphatically declare against the present system of government, as manipulated by the Congress of the United States and the Legislatures of the several States; therefore we declare in favor of the holding of a convention to nominate candidates for the offices of President and Vice-President of the United States. In this preliminary convention the representation shall be one delegate from each State."

The resolutions favor the abolition of all national banks and that the surplus funds be loaned individuals on land security at a low rate of interest; declare for the Australian ballot law; demand the foreclosure of the mortgage held by the government on railroads; demand the free and unimpeded movement of the commerce of the world; favor the election of President and Vice-President by a popular vote; as the farmers of the United States largely outnumber any other class of citizens, they demand the passage of laws of reform not as party measures, but for the good of the government; the Alliance shall take no part as partisans in any political struggle, as affiliating with the Republicans or Democrats; the interstate commerce law should be so amended and enforced as to allow all railroads a reasonable income on the money invested; the free and unlimited coinage of silver is favored and that the volume of currency be increased to \$50 per capita; United States Senators should be elected by the people; the laws regarding the liquor traffic should be so amended as to prevent endangering the morals of our children and destroying the usefulness of our citizens; liberal pensions are favored; also the passage of the Conger Land bill.

A recess was then taken. In a conference with the Farmers' Mutual Benefit Association representatives tonight it was decided that the two organizations could affiliate but not consolidate.

COCOSINO COUNTY.

Citizens Opposed to the Special Election Clause of Their Bill. SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE REPUBLICAN. FLAGSTAFF, Ariz., January 28.—A careful canvass of the community elicits the fact that a large majority of the prominent citizens, irrespective of party, are in favor of striking out the special election clause in the Cococino bill, which was introduced.

THE GOVERNOR'S BALL.

Preparations for the Occasion Complete. Members of the Committees. Preparations are completed for the Governor's ball tonight.

Yesterday a number of Tucson people arrived to attend the reception, among them being L. M. Jacobs, Mrs. B. M. Jacobs, Miss Bessie Barnes, of San Francisco, F. H. Herford and S. M. Franklin. Judge Barnes and wife, daughter, Mrs. J. H. Martin, are here, and Royal A. Johnson and wife, Commissioner Black and wife and others will arrive today. Hon. George Christ and wife also arrived yesterday.

The arrangements have been in complete haste and there is no possibility of a hitch. The following are the committees: Arrangements and Reception—George F. Coats, chairman, J. W. Evans, Dr. A. J. Chandler, Frank Cox, H. E. Kemp, William Christy, Walter Talbot, Charles Goldman, Jerry Millay, C. E. Ainsworth and W. B. Pratt. Floor Managers—Frank M. Czarnowski, Fred J. Fleishman, D. H. Rearte, J. W. Crenshaw. Introduction—E. J. Bennett, J. L. B. Alexander, Frank Nicholson, P. Minor, Bernard Goldman, C. L. Montgomery.

ANOTHER RAILROAD.

A Project to Connect Phoenix With the Santa Fe at Nogales. Railroad connection between Tucson and Nogales is admittedly necessary to the further growth and more complete development of Pima County. Though the two towns, the most important in Pima County, are but about sixty miles apart, a railroad roundabout journey of several hundred miles is now necessary to the traveler between them. The trade of the valley will be delivered at their destination in Fresno County without appreciable loss either in number or weight.

Charged With Assault on Kill. Alex. Silva, a well-known farmer of the valley, was held by Justice Goodin yesterday to await the action of the grand jury, under \$300 bonds, on the charge of assault to kill. It appears that Silva and one Kimbrough had a dispute over water which Kimbrough was taking out of the canal to irrigate some land belonging to Sam Franklin, and the row terminated, according to the testimony, in Silva drawing a pistol on Kimbrough. Upon furnishing the required bail, Silva was released from custody.

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Mr. Simpson, from the Committee on Territorial Affairs, reported that his committee recommended that the Council concur in House Concurrent Resolution No. 4. Mr. Dennis, of the Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills, reported Council Joint Resolution No. 3, and Council Bill No. 20 as correctly enrolled. A House message announced that the House had passed Council Bill No. 11 and amended Council Bill No. 8 and passed the same. Mr. Herndon, of the Judiciary Committee, reported Council Bill No. 19 for passage, and Council Bills Nos. 4 and 5 that they do not pass; also Council Bill No. 17 be amended, and that as amended it do pass.

Mr. Hughes gave notice of a bill to regulate the fees and salaries of Territorial and county officials, and to repeal chapter 1, title 28, of the Revised Statutes. House Bill No. 13, to repeal Act 41 of the Fifteenth Legislature, prescribing additional duties to Boards of Supervisors, read second time and referred to Committee on Judiciary. Council Bill No. 26, an act to amend the incorporation law, approved February 17, 1885, read second time and on motion of Mr. Thurmond referred to Committee on Corporations. Council Bill No. 22, concerning the printing and sale of the Territorial laws, read second time and referred to Committee on Ways and Means. Council Bill No. 24, concerning offenses against good morals, read second time and referred to Committee on Judiciary. The bill provides that no minor under 16, or any female, be permitted to enter any bar room or place where liquor is sold.

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Council Bill No. 3, repealing an act relating to judgments, being Act 23 of the Fifteenth Legislature, read third time and passed unanimously. Council Joint Resolution No. 3, to provide for a messenger for the Governor and an additional clerk for both houses at a salary of \$4 per day, was lost by the following vote: Ayes—Brady, Dennis, Herndon, Simpson, Thurmond, Mr. President—6. Noes—Doran, Frank, Peter, Vickers, Zulick, Baldwin—6. A message from the Governor approving Council resolution No. 1 for a joint committee of two from the Council and three from the House to investigate Territorial offices was received.

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